Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State educators whose contributions of time and energy help ensure that students obtain the knowledge, skills, and experiences necessary to become lifelong learners, involved citizens, and future societal leaders; and

Whereas, Dr. Phyllis A. Chase of Columbia, Missouri, attained considerable distinction as Superintendent of Schools for the Columbia School District, a leadership calling that she drew to a close on August 31, 2008, in well-deserved retirement after five years of service; and

Whereas, Dr. Phyllis Chase brought to the Superintendent's office a wealth of expertise derived from earlier work as Chief of Staff of the Springfield School District, Acting Superintendent of the Kansas City School District, and Director of Student Services of Topeka public schools; and

Whereas, Dr. Phyllis Chase helped ensure the highest standards of conduct and performance in her chosen field of endeavor by participating in the Missouri Council on Economic Education, Missouri Center for Safe Schools, Missouri State High School Activities Association, Missouri Association of School Administrators, and Minority Student Achievement Network Governing Board; and

Whereas, Dr. Phyllis Chase devoted her time as Superintendent of Columbia schools to increasing student achievement through top quality instruction, eliminating achievement disparities between groups of students, and providing exemplary leadership to administrative staff; and

Whereas, the beloved spouse of David Chase, now deceased, Dr. Phyllis Chase is justifiably proud also to be known as the loving mother of Stefan Chase Johnson, Kimberly Harding, and David Chase, Jr., and as the wonderful grandmother of Joshua and Chase; and

Whereas, it is fitting and proper that the Missouri House of Representatives should pause in its diverse daily activities in order to acknowledge milestone events in the lives and careers of such outstanding Missouri educators as Dr. Phyllis Chase:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the personal and professional accomplishments garnered thus far in the life and work of Dr. Phyllis Chase and to convey to her this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes as she partakes of the special opportunities and pleasures traditionally associated with the golden years of retirement; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for presentation to Dr. Phyllis A. Chase of Columbia, Missouri.

Offered by		
Representative Judy Baker		

District No. 25

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 4065, adopted September 8, 2008.